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Japanese patent document number 8-241849 discloses a structure which includes an interferometer disposed on a stage and a mirror disposed on a lens barrel.

Applicants request that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 form be initialed and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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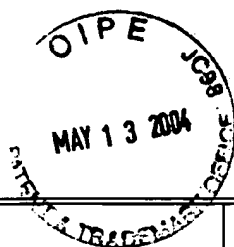
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		8-241849	09/17/1996	Japan	Abstract
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